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SUBJECT: W/W: ARRESTS: HUNGER STRIKE

1. CONOFF ADVISED 8 DEC THAT AMERICAN AND MEXICAN PRISONERS OF CARCEL MUNICIPAL IN NUEVO LAREDO PLAN HUNGER STRIKE TO BEGIN 16 DEC 1976. MEXICAN PRISONERS INTEND STRIKE TO LAST THREE DAYS. AMERICAN PRISONERS MAY STRIKE LONGER.

2. MEXICAN PRISONERS STRIKING DUE TO FACT MEXICAN CONGRESS HAS NOT APPROVED AMENDMENT ARTICLE 85 OF MEXICAN PENAL CODE. AMERICAN STRIKE FOR THIS REASON AND BECAUSE THEY WISH TO BRING PRESSURE UPON BOTH MEXICAN AND AMERICAN GOVERNMENTS TO SECURE SWIFT RATIFICATION OF TRANSFER OF SANCTIONS TREATY.

3. BASED UPON PAST EXPERIENCE WITH AMERICAN PRISONER PARTICIPATION HUNGER STRIKE OF SEPT 1976, POST DOES NOT REPEAT DOES NOT EXPECT VIOLENCE OR MEDICAL PROBLEMS DURING PROPOSED STRIKE. DURING SEPT STRIKE AMERICAN PRISONERS IN NUEVO LAREDO AND PIEDRAS NEGRAS WERE SUPPORTING THE STRIKE MORE IN WORD THAN IN SUBSTANCE.

4. AT THIS TIME NONE REPEAT NONE OF THE AMERICAN PRISONERS IN THIS CONSULAR DISTRICT ARE PARTICIPATING IN HUNGER STRIKE RECENTLY BEGUN IN MEXICO CITY.
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